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UNITED STATES ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION AGENCY REGION III 1650 Arch Street Philadelphia, Pennsylvania 19103-2029

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VIA CERTIFIED MAIL RETURN RECEIPT REQUESTED AND FIRST CLASS MAIL

Suburban Waste Services, Inc. Christina Bizzari, CEO 4214 Chatham Circle Aston, PA 19014

Re: Required Submission of Information

Lower Darby Creek Area Superfund Site - Clearview Landfill, Folcroft Landfill,

and Folcroft Landfill Annex

Dear Ms. Bizzari:

The U.S. Environmental Protection Agency ("EPA") is seeking information concerning the release, or threat of release, of hazardous substances, pollutants or contaminants into the environment at the Clearview Landfill ("Clearview"), Folcroft Landfill ("Folcroft"), and Folcroft Landfill Annex ("Folcroft Annex") portions of the Lower Darby Creek Area Superfund site, located in Delaware and Philadelphia Counties, Pennsylvania (hereinafter the "Site") (see Enclosure F for a list of Questions).

The Site is located in an industrialized portion of southeastern Delaware County and southwestern Philadelphia County, Pennsylvania, along an approximately two-mile stretch of Darby Creek, between Cobbs Creek to the north and the tidal marsh of John Heinz National Wildlife Refuge at Tinicum to the south (see Enclosure A). The Site also includes contaminated portions of areas along Darby Creek downstream as well as a portion of a 3500-acre tidal marsh.

EPA has reason to believe that Suburban Waste Services, Inc. (hereinafter "you") may be the successor to City Wide Service, Inc. which transported waste to the Clearview Landfill from 1958 through 1976.

Pursuant to the authority of Section 104(e) of the Comprehensive Environmental Response, Compensation, and Liability Act of 1980, as amended ("CERCLA"), 42 U.S.C. Section 9604(e), EPA has the authority to require Suburban Waste Services, Inc. (hereinafter "you"), to furnish all information and documents in your possession, custody or control, or in the possession, custody or control of any of your employees or agents, which concern, refer, or relate to hazardous substances as defined by Section 101(14) of CERCLA, 42 U.S.C. Section 9601(14),



pollutants and/or contaminants as defined by Section 101(33) of CERCLA, 42 U.S.C. Section 9601(33), which were transported to, stored, treated, or disposed of at the above-referenced Site.

Section 104 of CERCLA authorizes EPA to pursue penalties for failure to comply with that section or for failure to respond adequately to required submissions of information. In addition, providing false, fictitious, or fraudulent statements or representations may subject you to criminal penalties under 18 U.S.C. Section 1001. The information you provide may be used by EPA in administrative, civil, or criminal proceedings.

You must respond in writing to this required submission of information within fifteen (15) calendar days of your receipt of this letter.

If, for any reason, you do not provide all information responsive to this letter, then in your answer to EPA you must: (1) describe specifically what was not provided, and (2) provide to EPA an appropriate reason why the information was not provided.

All documents and information should be sent to:

Ms. Carlyn Winter Prisk (3HS11) U.S. Environmental Protection Agency, Region III 1650 Arch Street Philadelphia, PA 19103-2029

This required submission of information is not subject to the approval requirements of the Paperwork Reduction Act of 1980, 44 U.S.C. Section 3501 et seq.

If you have any questions concerning this matter, please contact Civil Investigator Carlyn Winter Prisk at (215) 814-2625, or have your attorney contact Brian Nishitani of EPA's Office of Regional Counsel at (215) 814-2675. To discuss the Site in general or the nature of the cleanup, contact Kristine Matzko, the Remedial Project Manager, at (215) 814-5719.

Sincerely.

Joan Armstrong, Chief PRP Investigation and

Site Information Section

Property

Enclosures:

Enclosure A: Lower Darby Creek Area Site Map

Enclosure B: Business Confidentiality Claims/Disclosure of Your Response to

EPA Contractors and Grantees

Enclosure C: List of Contractors that May Review Your Response

Enclosure D: Definitions
Enclosure E: Instructions
Enclosure F: Questions
Enclosure G: SBREFA

cc:

Mr. Brian Nishitani (3RC44)

Ms. Kristine Matzko (3HS21)

Mr. Craig Olewiler (PADEP Harrisburg)
Ms. April Flipse (PADEP Conshohocken)







Enclosure B

Business Confidentiality Claims

You are entitled to assert a claim of business confidentiality covering any part or all of the submitted information, in the manner described in 40 C.F.R. Part 2, Subpart B. Information subject to a claim of business confidentiality will be made available to the public only in accordance with the procedures set forth in 40 C.F.R. Part 2, Subpart B. If a claim of business confidentiality is not asserted when the information is submitted to EPA, EPA may make this information available to the public without further notice to you. You must clearly mark such claimed information by either stamping or using any other such form of notice that such information is a trade secret, proprietary, or company confidential. To best ensure that your intent is clear, we recommend that you mark as confidential each page containing such claimed information.

Disclosure of Your Response to EPA Contractors and Grantees

EPA may contract with one or more independent contracting firms (See "Enclosure C") to review the documentation, including documents which you claim are confidential business information ("CBI"), which you submit in response to this information request, depending on available agency resources. Additionally, EPA may provide access to this information to (an) individual(s) working under (a) cooperative agreements(s) under the Senior Environmental Employee Program ("SEE Enrollees"). The SEE Program was authorized by the Environmental Programs Assistance Act of 1984 (Pub. L. 98-313). The contractor(s) and/or SEE Enrollee(s) will be filing, organizing, analyzing and/or summarizing the information for EPA personnel. The contractors have signed a contract with EPA that contains a confidentiality clause with respect to CBI that they handle for EPA. The SEE Enrollee(s) is working under a cooperative agreement that contains a provision concerning the treatment and safeguarding of CBI. The individual SEE Enrollee has also signed a confidentiality agreement regarding treatment of CBI. Pursuant to Section 104(e)(7) of CERCLA, 42 U.S.C. Section 9604(e)(7) and EPA's regulations at 40 C.F.R. Section 2.310(h), EPA may share such CBI with EPA's authorized representatives which include contractors and cooperators under the Environmental Programs Assistance Act of 1984. (See 58 Fed.Reg. 7187 (1993)). If you have any objection to disclosure by EPA of documents which you claim are CBI to any or all of the entities listed in Enclosure C, you must notify EPA in writing at the time you submit such documents.



Enclosure C

List of Contractors That May Review Your Response

- Daston Corporation -
- Contract #68-S3-01-01
 Subcontractor to Daston Corporation is:
 Dynamac Corporation
- Tetra Tech EM, Inc. -
- Contract #68-S3-0002
 Subcontractor to Tetra Tech EM, Inc. is: Eagle Instruments, Inc.
- Ecology and Environment, Inc. -
- Contract #68-S3-0001
 Subcontractor to Ecology and Environment, Inc. is: S & S Engineers, Inc.
- IT Corporation Contract #68-S3-00-06
 Subcontracts to IT Corporation are:
 Weavertown Environmental Group
 Environmental Restoration Company
- Earth Tech, Inc. Contract #68-S3-00-07
 Subcontractors to Earth Tech, Inc. are:

 Industrial Marine Services, Inc.
 Cline Oil
 Hertz Equipment Rental
- Guardian Environmental Services, Inc. -Contract #68-S3-99-04
- ECG Industries, Inc. Contract# 68-S3-99-05
 Subcontractor to ECG Industries, Inc. is:
 Earth Tech, Inc.

- Industrial Marine Services, Inc. Contract #68-S3-99-06
 Subcontractors to Industrial Marine
 Services, Inc. are:
 Earth Tech, Inc.
 Engineering and Environment, Inc.
- Tetra Tech NUS Inc. Contract #68-S6-3003
 Subcontractors to Tetra Tech NUS Inc.
 are:
 Gannett Fleming, Inc.
 Dynamic Corporation
 C. C. Johnson & Malhotra, P.C.
- CDM-Federal Programs Corporation Contract #68-S7-3003
 Subcontractors to CDM-Federal
 Programs Corporation are:
 Tetra Tech EM, Inc.
 Robert Kimball & Associates
 PMA & Associates
 Horne Engineering
 Pacific Environmental Services
- Black and Veatch Waste Science and Technology Corporation/Tetra Tech, Inc. - Contract #68-S7-3002
- Universe Technologies -Contract #68-S3-99-02
- Tech Law, Inc. -Contract #68-W-00-108

List of Cooperative Agreements

- National Association of Hispanic Elderly - #CQ-822511
- AARP Foundation (Senior Environmental Employment) -#824021 #823952

Enclosure D



Definitions

- The term "arrangement" shall mean every separate contract or other agreement or understanding between two or more persons, whether written or oral.
- The term "documents" shall mean writings, photographs, sound or magnetic records, drawings, or other similar things by which information has been preserved and also includes information preserved in a form which must be translated or deciphered by machine in order to be intelligible to humans. Examples of documents include, but are not limited to, electronic mail and other forms of computer communication, drafts, correspondence, memoranda, notes, diaries, statistics, letters, telegrams, minutes, contracts, reports, studies, checks, statements, receipts, summaries, pamphlets, books, invoices, checks, bills of lading, weight receipts, toll receipts, offers, contracts, agreements, deeds, leases, manifests, licenses, permits, bids, proposals, policies of insurance, logs, inter-office and intra-office communications, notations of any conversations (including, without limitation, telephone calls, meetings, and other communications such as e-mail), bulletins, printed matter, computer printouts, invoices, worksheets, graphic or oral records or representations of any kind (including, without limitation, charts, graphs, microfiche, microfilm, videotapes, recordings and motion pictures), electronic, mechanical, magnetic or electric records or representations of any : kind (including, without limitation, tapes, cassettes, discs, recordings and computer memories), minutes of meetings, memoranda, notes, calendar or daily entries, agendas, notices, announcements, maps, manuals, brochures, reports of scientific study or investigation, schedules, price lists, data, sample analyses, and laboratory reports.
- The term "hazardous substance" means (a) any substance designated pursuant to section 1321(b)(2)(A) of Title 33 [of the U.S. Code], (b) any element, compound, mixture, solution, or substance designated pursuant to section 9602 of [CERCLA], (c) any hazardous waste having the characteristics identified under or listed pursuant to section 3001 of the Solid Waste Disposal Act (42 U.S.C. Section 6921) (but not including any waste the regulation of which under the Solid Waste Disposal Act (42 U.S.C. Section 6901 et seq.) has been suspended by Act of Congress), (d) any toxic pollutant listed under section 1317(a) of Title 33, (e) any hazardous air pollutant listed under section 112 of the Clean Air Act (42 U.S.C. Section 7412), and (f) any imminently hazardous chemical substance or mixture with respect to which the Administrator has taken action pursuant to section 2606 of Title 15 [of the U.S. Code]. The term does not include petroleum, including crude oil or any fraction thereof which is not otherwise specifically listed or designated as a hazardous substance under subparagraphs (a) through (f) of this paragraph, and the term does not include natural gas, natural gas liquids, liquefied natural gas, or synthetic gas usable for fuel (or mixtures of natural gas and such synthetic gas).
- The term "pollutant or contaminant" shall include, but not be limited to, any element, substance, compound, or mixture, including disease-causing agents, which after release into the environment and upon exposure, ingestion, inhalation, or assimilation into any

organism, either directly from the environment or indirectly by ingestion through food chains, will or may reasonably be anticipated to cause death, disease, behavioral abnormalities, cancer, genetic mutation, physiological malfunctions (including malfunctions in reproduction) or physical deformations in such organisms or their offspring, except that the term "pollutant or contaminant" shall not include petroleum, including crude oil or any fraction thereof which is not otherwise specifically listed or designated as a hazardous substance under CERCLA, and shall not include natural gas, liquefied natural gas, or synthetic gas of pipeline quality (or mixtures of natural gas and such synthetic gas).

- The term "release" means any spilling, leaking, pumping, pouring, emitting, emptying, discharging, injecting, escaping, leaching, dumping, or disposing into the environment (including the abandonment or discarding of barrels, containers, and other closed receptacles containing any hazardous substance or pollutant or contaminant), but excludes (a) any release which results in exposure to persons solely within a workplace, with respect to a claim which such persons may assert against the employer of such persons, (b) emissions from the engine exhaust of a motor vehicle, rolling stock, aircraft, vessel, or pipeline pumping station engine, (c) release of source, byproduct, or special nuclear material from a nuclear incident, as those terms are defined in the Atomic Energy Act of 1954 (42 U.S.C. Section 2011 et seq.), if such release is subject to requirements with respect to financial protection established by the Nuclear Regulatory Commission under: section 170 of such Act (42 U.S.C. Section 2210), or, for the purposes of section 9604 of [CERCLA] or any other response action, any release of source, byproduct, or special nuclear material from any processing site designated under sections 7912(a)(1) or 7942(a) of [CERCLA], and (d) the normal application of fertilizer.
- The term "waste" or "wastes" shall mean and include any discarded materials including, but not limited to, trash, garbage, refuse, by-products, solid waste, hazardous waste, hazardous substances, pollutants or contaminants, and discarded or spilled chemicals, whether solid, liquid, or sludge.
- The term "you" when referring to an incorporated entity shall mean and include the incorporated entity and its agents and representatives, including, but not limited to, persons directly authorized to transact business on the entity's behalf such as officers, directors, or partners with which the entity is affiliated, employees, accountants, engineers, or other persons who conduct business on the entity's behalf, as well as affiliated entities, including, but not limited to, partnerships, limited liability companies, divisions, subsidiaries, and holding companies.

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Enclosure E

Instructions

- 1. You are entitled to assert a claim of business confidentiality covering any part or all of the information you submit. If you desire to assert a claim of business confidentiality, please see Enclosure B, Business Confidentiality Claims/Disclosure of Your Response to EPA Contractors and Grantees. You must clearly mark such information by either stamping or using any other form of notice that such information is a trade secret, proprietary, or company confidential. To ensure to the greatest extent that your intent is clear, we recommend that you mark as confidential each page containing such claimed information.
- 2. Please provide a separate, detailed narrative response to each question, and to each subpart of each question, set forth in this Information Request. If you fail to provide a detailed response, EPA may deem your response to be insufficient and thus a failure to comply with this Information Request, which may subject you to penalties.
- 3. Precede each response with the number of the question or subpart of the question to which it corresponds. For each document or group of documents produced in response to this Information Request, indicate the number of the specific question or subpart of the question to which the document(s) responds.
- 4. Should you find at any time after submission of your response that any portion of the submitted information is false, misrepresents the truth or is incomplete, you must notify EPA of this fact and provide EPA with a corrected written response.
- Any terms that are used in this Information Request and/or its Enclosures that are defined in CERCLA shall have the meaning set forth in CERCLA. Definitions of several such terms are set forth in Enclosure D, *Definitions*, for your convenience. Also, several additional terms not defined in CERCLA are defined in Enclosure D. Those terms shall have the meaning set forth in Enclosure D any time such terms are used in this Information Request and/or its Enclosures.

Enclosure F



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- 1. State the name of your company, its mailing address, and telephone number. Further identify:
 - a. dates and states of incorporation of your company;
 - b. The date and original state of incorporation of your company;
 - c. The parent corporation of your company, if any, and all subsidiaries or other affiliated entities:
 - d. The officers and/or directors of your company at any time since its incorporation; and
 - e. The shareholders of your company and the percentage of stock owned by each at any time since its incorporation.
- 2. What is the current nature of the business or activity conducted in the Philadelphia, Pennsylvania area?
- 3. Describe in detail the relationship between Suburban Waste Services, Inc. and City Wide Service, Inc.
- 4. Has City Wide Service, Inc., its officers, directors or stockholders, <u>ever sold</u>, transferred, or otherwise conveyed any of City Wide Service, Inc.'s assets to Suburban Waste Services, Inc., or its officers, directors, or stockholders?
- 5. For every such sale, transfer, or conveyance, provide the following information:
 - a. A copy of the purchase or other agreement(s) whereby City Wide Service, Inc., its officers, directors or stockholders sold or transferred any of its assets to Suburban Waste Service, Inc. or its officers, directors, or stockholders.
 - b. The date(s) on which any sale(s), transfer(s), or conveyance(s) took place;
 - c. A complete and detailed list of all assets sold, transferred, or conveyed; and
 - d. A complete and accurate accounting of the value of each such asset sold, transferred, or conveyed.
- 6. Is Suburban Waste Services, Inc., the successor to all liabilities, including those under the Comprehensive Environmental Response, Compensation and Liability Act,

as amended, by the Superfund Amendments and Reauthorization Act of City Wide Service, Inc.

- 7. Has Suburban Waste Services, Inc., entered into any type of lease agreement, written or oral, with-City Wide Service, Inc., or any other entity, for use of the City Wide Service, Inc.'s facility(ies) located at Ave. A and Darby Creek, adjacent to the former Clearview Landfill, in Darby Township, PA? For all agreements entered into for use of the City Wide Service facility(ies), please provide all documents reflecting such agreements.
- 8. Please describe any facilities, properties, customer/client lists, advertising, trademarks, service marks, telephone numbers, fax numbers, and/or vehicles which belonged to City Wide Service, Inc. that Suburban Waste Services, Inc. now owns or utilizes.
- 9. Identify any and all employees and/or supervisory personnel that were employed by City Wide Service, Inc. that are/were employed by Suburban Waste Services, Inc. Provide all titles held at both City Wide Service, Inc. and Suburban Waste Services, Inc. and dates of employment. Identify if sick-leave, pension plan, benefits package, seniority, and/or vacation time accrued from City Wide Service, Inc. applied/applies to employment at Suburban Waste Services, Inc. Include any employees working in a consulting capacity.
- 10. Identify any and all current/former shareholders, officers, directors, managers, and key employees of both City Wide Service, Inc. and Suburban Waste Services, Inc. If these shareholders, officers, managers, and/or key employees are different, is there now or was there ever any relationship between the two groups of shareholders or other positions other than that of seller/buyer.

Office of Enforcement and Compliance Assurance

INFORMATION SHEET

U.S. EPA Small Business Resources

f you own a small business, the United States Environmental Protection Agency (EPA) offers a variety of compliance assistance and tools to assist you in complying with federal and State environmental laws. These resources can help you understand your environmental obligations, improve compliance and find cost-effective ways to comply through the use of pollution prevention and other innovative technologies.

EPA Websites

EPA has several Internet sites that provide useful compliance assistance information and materials for small businesses. Many public libraries provide access to the Internet at minimal or no cost.

EPA's Small Business Home Page (http://www.epa.gov/sbo) is a good place to start because it links with many other related websites. Other useful websites include:

EPA's Home Page http://www.epa.gov

Smail Business Assistance Programs http://www.epa.gov/ttn/sbap

Compliance Assistance Home Page http://www.epa.gov/oeca/oc

Office of Site Remediation Enforcement http://www.epa.gov/oeca/osre

Hotlines, Helplines and Clearinghouses

EPA sponsors approximately 89 free hotlines and clearinghouses that provide convenient assistance on environmental requirements.

EPA's Small Business Ombudsman Hotline can provide a list of all the hot lines and assist in determining the hotline best meeting your needs. Key hotlines include:

EPA's Small Business Ombudsman (800) 368-5888

Hazardous Waste/Underground Tanks/ Superfund (800) 424-9346

National Response Center (to report oil and hazardous substance spills) (800) 424-8802

Toxics Substances and Asbestos Information (202) 554-1404

Safe Drinking Water (800) 426-4791

Stratospheric Ozone and Refrigerants Information (800) 296-1996

Clean Air Technical Center (919) 541-0800

Wetlands Hotline (800) 832-7828

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